

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Dieter Lang, <i>et al.</i>
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**Response Accompanying RCE**

This is a Response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed February 5, 2008. Please enter this Response in the above-referenced application. The Response is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), along with the appropriate fee there for. Applicants believe that no further fee is due in connection with the filing of this Response. However, if any further fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

In response to the Official Action dated **February 5, 2008**, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

A Listing of All Claims Including Current Amendments begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.